

## CHARITON COURIER.

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### KEYTESVILLE, - MISSOURI.

Entered at the Post-office at Keytesville, Mo., as second-class matter.

Hurrah for the Keytesville, Brookfield and Fayette railroad!

Many an idle rumor has been worked overtime.

One Salisbury man shipped 165 cases of eggs to Chicago last week.

Some men are like cigars—the more you puff them the smaller they get.

Westminster college at Fulton, Mo., contemplates erecting a \$20,000 building this year.

Susan Trotter, who is in a class by herself, is suing her husband for a divorce at Springfield.

Warden Starke of the Missouri penitentiary fed his "jail birds" 650 dozen eggs Easter Sunday.

Craig, Mo., which ought to be a quiet place to live in, sets forth the claim to embrace 40 widows.

Warrensburg, Mo., gets the next re-union of ex-Confederates, and it will be held September 27 and 28.

France has begun to inquire about Missouri coal, but it may be only to jolly us for exposition purposes.

What puzzles a man most is how a woman in a breakfast gown seems to be dressed and yet not to be.

Mendon is soon to have another blacksmith shop and wagon yard. A Mr. Yard of Brunswick is to be the proprietor.

The Brunswick Tobacco works now have in the neighborhood of 50 people on their pay-roll, and business is on the increase.

One of the hardest things to do is to rid a church choir of an individual who can sing to the satisfaction of no one but him or herself.

A physician calculates that it requires eight times the strength to go up stairs that it takes for the distance on the level.

"Ah, Jessie, you refuse me!" "I will break my heart." "Hush your noise, Frank, for if you wake papa up he will break more than your heart."

The P.-S. says 100 sacks of "flower" would be more acceptable to the Porto Ricans than 500 flags. Guess it would.

A girl with a shirt waist on, a bare-footed boy with his big toe tied in a rag, a blue-bird and a robin are sure signs of spring.

Pattonsburg, Mo., which probably has a large jail, intends in the future to arrest men for conduct unbecoming gentlemen.

The Brookfield, Mo., hospital is to be run by the Deaconess society of the Methodist church, which means that it will be a success.

Brose Wood of Mendon shipped 18 head of steers to Kansas City last week that averaged 1,428 pounds. They were fed by Wm. Mayo.

Dr. J. H. Hume, one of Brunswick's best known physicians, left that city last Tuesday for Mitchellville, Ia., where he will make his future home.

Prof. Ed Agee and Miss Zeph Kirkpatrick have given such good satisfaction that the Mendon school board have engaged them for another term.

Rev. M. B. Hurt has tendered his resignation as pastor of the Baptist church at Brunswick and will accept the pastorate of a church at Wakenda, Carroll county.

A New London, Mo., man captured a bald eagle on Salt river one day last week that measured seven feet four inches from tip to tip and weighed 11 pounds.

Colonel John R. Rippey, secretary of the state board of agriculture, says that from present prospects the wheat crop of Missouri this year will aggregate over 12,000,000 bushels.

When a girl is engaged to be married it is time for her to quit learning new patterns for fancy work and to begin learning how to put a good working patch on a pair of trousers.

If we are never envious or jealous it is because we are abnormally conceited.

Girls are usually wedded to their ideals until they have a chance to wed something else.

With some men liquor improves with age—that is, the older they grow the better they like it.

When two men get to arguing there is always one point on which they will agree, and that is that the other is bigoted and a fool.

Boone county, which has more fine state buildings than any county in Missouri except Cole, has the "dinkiest" court-house in the state.

It's a poor rule that don't work both ways. For instance, a man may throw a banana skin on the street, but the banana skin can throw a man just as easy.

Krause's cold cure will break up your cold. It is not necessary to stay in the house while you are being cured. For sale by H. M. Sigloch, City Drug store.

Missouri towns have already begun to resolve that they won't have any Fourth of July celebrations this year, but will go to Kansas City to see it done right.

Shelbyville, Mo., has a dramatic club. It is now playing a temperance drama entitled: "Under the Spell." There are a few things worse than the small-pox.

W. R. Ray of near Mendon lost a valuable horse last week. He was harrowing, when in some way the harrow became upset. The horse took fright, reared up and fell backward on the harrow, injuring itself so badly it had to be killed.

The ministers of Sedalia have challenged the newspaper reporters of that town to a game of base ball. Of course the reporters will accept the challenge, and then should give the clergy a good "walloping"—if they are able.

A young society "thing" at Brown, Mo., became desirous of making an impression in society, and on seeing an advertisement in a Chicago paper as to how to do so, sent the required 55 cents for the information. He got it. The answer was: "Sit down on a pan of dough."

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If some one would run a newspaper for a week just as the devil would run it, he would probably get more subscribers than he would running it the other way. It is a sort of weakness of human nature to want to know how the "old man" runs things, and a good many men can hardly wait until their time to find out comes.

A county in Ohio has a lady road supervisor, and she has ordered all the hills in her district to be cut low-necked and scalloped at the bottom, the valleys gathered in, the creek hemmed, all the culverts cut bias, double rows of tuks run around the skirts of the hill, the bottom to be ruffled and the hill sides to be embroidered with daisies and fringed with golden rod.

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### Truthful Newspapers.

Willie Shortike and Bettie Bloomers were married at the church last evening. The church was very prettily decorated with flowers and potted plants, borrowed promiscuously over town from people who didn't want to lend them. The decorating was done under protest by some of the ladies of the church, who were asked to do so by the bride and couldn't well refuse. The ladies are of the opinion that if the couple were so bent on having a stylish wedding they should have been willing to have paid someone to chase all over the town for a day getting flowers and then taking them home again. The bride wore a handsome Silverstein gown made at home and the groom was decked out in a ten-dollar hand-me-down suit. The ushers wore cut-away coats borrowed for the occasion. Sallie Potts was maid of honor, and the consensus of opinion was that she was a two-to-one better looking than the bride. The young couple took the morning train for St. Louis, where they will spend more money in a few days than Willie can earn in three months. Willie says now that he's married he's going to settle down. Some of our merchants think it would have been better if he'd settled up first. The groom gets a salary of twenty-seven dollars a month, which is about the allowance Bettie has been used to for pin money. We hope for Willie's sake that the old saying that it takes no more to support two than one wasn't a lie. The bride sent us a shoe box full of conglomeration of stuff supposed to be cake. If this is a sample of Bettie's cooking, we feel sorry for Willie. Our janitor's dog fell heir to the cake, and now he's lying in the cold, cold ground. But this wedding is none of our funeral. If Willie and Bettie are satisfied, we've got no kick coming.—Palmyra Spectator.

Real Estate Transfers.

QUIT-CLAIM DEEDS.

George F. Daniels, wife and Jacob R. Daniels to John H. Jeffries, n hf nw qr and n hf sw qr ne qr -29-56-16—\$1,600.

Matilda M. Meyer et al, to Daniel Straub, sw qr sw qr 20-33-19—\$1.

WARRANTY DEEDS.

James M. McKee and wife to J. M. Callahan, w hf nw qr 9-55-18, subject to a deed of trust for \$1,700—\$1,400.

Malinda Williams and Ezra O. Williams to Wm. Carson, sw qr ne qr 25-53-20—\$1,150.

J. C. Rucker and wife to Marcellus B. Hunt, hf interest in 24 ft front by 100 ft in depth off w side lt 5 in blk 48 in the town of Keytesville—\$900.

J. E. M. Triplett to Nancy Triplett, lts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 in blk 7, lts 2 in blk 6, lts 1, 2 and 3 in blk 8, lts 7 and 8 in blk 9, lts 1, 2 and 3 in blk 14, frac lt 11 in blk 7, and all other lots or parts of lots owned by grantor in the town of Triplett—\$1.

Ada M. Littrell et al, to J. C. McKee, 32 1-2 acres in nw qr se qr 15-55-20—\$800.

Ada M. Littrell et al to Mattie J. McQueen et al, 41 acres in sw qr se qr 12-55-20—\$800.

J. N. Gipson and wife to W. Henry Mallett, 20 acres, e hf se qr nw qr, 40 acres, sw qr ne qr, 40 acres, nw qr se qr 20-56-16—\$1,600.

W. W. Franklin and wife to Mrs. Linnie Sneed, lot 6 in blk 82 in the town of Keytesville, subject to a deed of trust—\$800.

Wm. A. Jones and wife to W. F. Kyes, n hf sw qr ne qr 11-55-19; nw qr ne qr 11-55-19—\$2,400.

Squire Moberly and wife to Andrew Minor, commencing 5 chains and 69 links w of se cor 31-55-16, n 3 chains and 96 links; w 103 feet, s 3 chains and 96 links, e to place of beginning—\$400.

James W. Davis to Frank J. Ellis, se qr sw qr 34-55-18, subject to a mortgage of \$400—\$925.

F. J. Ellis to Robert and Ernest O. Stephens, same as above, with incumbrance which purchasers assume—\$1,000.

W. A. Walker to J. W. Cooper, lots 3, 4 and 5 in blk 2 in College Place addition to Salisbury—\$500.

J. W. Cooper and wife to Harry Sinclair, lots same as above—\$800.

Herman Meyer and wife to Ed Thurman, 1 acre in se cor se qr sw qr 17-56-17—\$20.

By the way, what has become of Buller? Has he crossed the Tugela again?

Has anyone thought to interview Admiral Diederichs in regard to the Dewey boom?

Should not Roberts' progress be described as a "standstill" rather than a "walkover"?

What's the use of labored explanations? Sipido simply thought that he was in Kentucky.

Kansas must advertise itself or die. Its latest scheme was to run men against women at an election.

It would be pretty tough if Great Britain had to raise another army to go to the relief of Roberts.

"Bobs" ought not to leave his communications out at night unless he wants the Boers to pick them up.

If Dewey takes second place on the Democratic ticket, Roosevelt simply must take second place on the McKinley list. Then we would have a time of it!

Republican organs are pathetically declaring that it would have saved the president a lot of trouble if Webster Davis had resigned before he went to Africa.

If Senator Clark of Montana had continued to teach school in Pettis county, Mo., he would never have been accused of buying a seat in the U. S. senate.

Admiral Dewey says that he is a Democrat. Well, since he married a Democratic lady we presume he is. The best way for him to prove it is to pull off his coat and help elect Wm. J. Bryan to the presidency.

How would Bryan and Dewey do? Such a ticket would be hard lines on the eastern Democrats who are trying to use Dewey as a stalking horse to defeat Bryan for the first place, but it would suit the country.

Senator Spooner has announced in the senate that the country is not bound by the formal promises made by General Miles to the Porto Ricans. This is just a little further in the direction of "national perfidy and dishonor" than anyone else has yet gone.

If Mrs. Dewey runs the admiral on an independent ticket, he will certainly defeat McKinley, whatever else he may do. In fact, this may be Mrs. Dewey's object in running her husband. She recently told some friends in Washington that she would do anything to down McKinley.

After all the pother, Sapho has been declared moral. Now stand back and see the crowd rush to the box office for tickets to see it. It is reported that its manager will make a large present to Mr. Pulitzer in addition to paying the regular rates for advertising the play.

The Republicans jammed the Porto Rican bill through the house on a motion to concur in the senate amendments, without giving any chance for change. They say that any mistakes can be corrected at the next session and that it would be bad policy for them to permit any debate now.

If all the Democrats had been in their seats when the house voted to unseat two Democrats in favor of two Republicans the other day, the crime would not have gone through. Numerous Republicans absented themselves rather than vote for such an outrage, and had the Democrats been present they would have had a majority. Democrats throughout the country should scrutinize the votes by which these members were unseated and see whether their own members were present or not.

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### PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRATS.

The Democrats of Pennsylvania adopted a platform in their state convention last week that seems to us good enough to be engrafted on the platform of the national convention at Kansas City. The old Keystone state makes the issues between the dominant parties clear and simple. Read it:

The platform endorses William J. Bryan for president; pledges fidelity to Democratic principles; demands tariff for revenue only; enforcement of the anti-trust act; opposes imperialism of the present administration and the Republican party, and favors granting the Filipinos home rule under the protection of the United States; demands that the solemn pledge by congress to the people of Cuba be faithfully observed; demands free trade for Porto Rico; denounces the Hay-Pauncefote treaty; declares in favor of a Nicaraguan canal controlled by this country; no further surrender of Alaskan territory and no entangling alliance with foreign countries; declares for bi-metalism; extends sympathy to the Boers and favors united action by all republics to maintain the independent existence of the two republics in South Africa.

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THERE are 930 votes in the Democratic national convention. To nominate, 620 are necessary, but 311 can prevent a nomination and deadlock the convention. The highest possible calculation, allowing to Dewey all possible states in the least degree doubtful, gives him only about 250 votes, not even enough to delay the action of the convention.

THIRTY-FIVE years ago Senator Clark of Montana, who has had trouble in holding his seat in the U. S. senate because of a charge of bribery, taught school in Pettis county, Mo. When he left there he left a board bill behind amounting to \$13. His landlord had lost sight of him until his trial for bribery came up in the senate. Learning his whereabouts and of his wealth, the landlord wrote to the senator and reminded him of the debt against him of long standing. Whereupon the senator enclosed him a check for \$160, which paid principal and interest.

REPRESENTATIVE citizens of Chillicothe have formed what is known as a Good Government association, the object of which is to promote pure politics in Chillicothe and Livingston county. It is to be non-political, and will advocate anti-boodle, no-assessment of candidates and will fight against the use of money in political campaigns, is against corruption of all kinds in politics and will raise money to prosecute offenders against the election laws. The promoters expect to have a sufficient membership to hold the balance of power in city and county affairs, and will support only clean and honorable men.

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